

**τ -NORM-PERFECT AND τ -PERFECT EISENSTEIN INTEGERS
FOR $\tau = \omega + 2$ AND 2**

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ABSTRACT. Using Robert Spira's [4] definitions of complex Mersenne numbers and the complex sum-of-divisors function, we characterize $(\omega+2)$ -norm-perfect and $(\omega+2)$ -perfect numbers that are divisible by $\omega+2$ and prove the nonexistence of 2-norm-perfect numbers that are divisible by 2 in the Eisenstein integers.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $\sigma : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ be the function defined by the equation

$$(1.1) \quad \sigma(n) = \sum_{d|n} d$$

This function is called the sum-of-divisors function.

In the integers, a k -perfect number is a positive integer n satisfying the equation

$$(1.2) \quad \sigma(n) = kn$$

The most widely studied k -perfect numbers are the 2-perfect numbers which are most commonly known by the name of perfect numbers. The first seven 2-perfect numbers are: $6 = 1 + 2 + 3$, $28 = 1 + 2 + 4 + 7 + 14$, 496, 8128, $2^{12}(2^{13} - 1)$, $2^{16}(2^{17} - 1)$, and $2^{18}(2^{19} - 1)$. As of today, the mathematical community knows exactly 49 2-perfect numbers in the integers. The largest one has 44677235 digits.

The study of perfect numbers dates as far back as Euclid, who circa 300 B.C, proved that, for primes p such that $2^p - 1$ is also prime, the numbers of the form

$$(1.3) \quad 2^{p-1}(2^p - 1)$$

are 2-perfect. Numbers of the form $2^p - 1$ are now known as Mersenne numbers. In particular, if $2^p - 1$ is prime, it is called a Mersenne prime.

Around two millennia after Euclid's proof, Euler proved that all even 2-perfect numbers were of the form (1.3), thereby characterizing all even 2-perfect numbers in the integers.

Theorem 1.1 (Euclid-Euler Theorem). *The positive integer n is an even 2-perfect number if and only if $n = 2^{p-1}(2^p - 1)$ where $2^p - 1$ is prime.*

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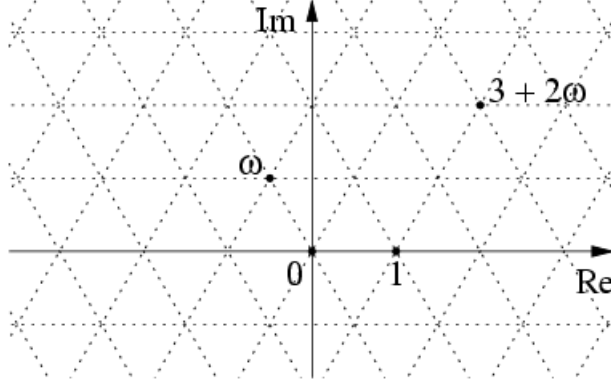


FIGURE 1. The Eisenstein integers form a triangular lattice over the complex plane

The purpose of this paper is to characterize all $(\omega + 2)$ -perfect numbers divisible by $\omega + 2$ and all $(\omega + 2)$ -norm-perfect numbers divisible by $\omega + 2$ in the Eisenstein integers, and to show that there exist no 2-norm-perfect Eisenstein integers divisible by 2. We follow Wayne McDaniel's [2] and Kieran Smallbone's [3] approach who provided partial characterizations of $(i + 1)$ -norm-perfect and $(i + 1)$ -perfect numbers in the Gaussian integers, and 2-perfect numbers in the Eisenstein integers, respectively.

This paper is structured as follows. In section 2, we provide some technical background. In section 3, we present our results on $(\omega + 2)$ -norm-perfect and $(\omega + 2)$ -perfect numbers. In section 4, we prove the nonexistence of 2-norm-perfect that are divisible by 2 in the Eisenstein integers that are divisible by 2. In section 5, we discuss some of the unanswered questions about τ -perfect numbers in quadratic integer rings such that the Gaussian and the Eisenstein.

2. BACKGROUND

Definition 2.1 (Eisenstein integers). The set $\mathbb{Z}[\omega] = \{a + b\omega \mid a, b \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]\}$, under the usual operations of addition and multiplication of complex numbers, is the ring of Eisenstein integers, where $\omega = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{-3}}{2}$.

Throughout this paper, it might be helpful for the reader to visualize the Eisenstein integers as a subset of the complex plane. See figure 1. Like the complex plane is partitioned symmetrically into four quadrants, the Eisenstein integers is symmetrically and radially partitioned into six sextants. Each sextant is defined as follows.

- (1) First sextant: $\{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \mid 0 \leq \text{Arg}(\eta) < \frac{\pi}{3}\}$
- (2) Second sextant: $\{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \mid \frac{\pi}{3} \leq \text{Arg}(\eta) < \frac{2\pi}{3}\}$
- (3) Third sextant: $\{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \mid \frac{2\pi}{3} \leq \text{Arg}(\eta) < \pi\}$
- (4) Fourth sextant: $\{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \mid -\pi < \text{Arg}(\eta) < -\frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ or } \text{Arg}(\eta) = \pi\}$
- (5) Fifth sextant: $\{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \mid -\frac{2\pi}{3} \leq \text{Arg}(\eta) < -\frac{\pi}{3}\}$
- (6) Sixth sextant: $\{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \mid -\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \text{Arg}(\eta) < 0\}$

The Eisenstein integers are endowed with a Euclidean function N and which we will call the norm. It is defined as follows.

Definition 2.2 (Norm function). $N : \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ is defined by the equation $N(a + \omega b) = |a + \omega b|^2 = (a + \omega b)(\overline{a + \omega b}) = a^2 - ab + b^2 = (a - b)^2 - ab$ is the norm function in $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$

Remark 2.3. Equipped with this norm, the ring of Eisenstein integers is a Euclidean domain and thus a unique factorization domain.

Proposition 2.4. N is completely multiplicative.

Proof. Let $\alpha = a + \omega b$ and let $\beta = c + \omega d$. Then, $\alpha \cdot \beta = ac - bd + (ad + bc - bd)\omega$ and

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} N(\alpha \cdot \beta) &= (ac - bd)^2 - (ac - bd)(ad + bc - bd) + (ad + bc - bd)^2 \\ &= (a^2 - ab + b^2)(c^2 - cd + d^2) = N(\alpha)N(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 2.5. The units of $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ are $\pm 1, \pm \omega$, and $\pm(1 + \omega)$.

Proof. Suppose that η has a multiplicative inverse. Then, $N(\eta)N(\eta^{-1}) = N(\eta\eta^{-1}) = N(1) = 1$. Write $\eta = a + \omega b$. Then we have $N(\eta) = (a - b)^2 + ab = 1$. One can check that the only solutions to this equation are: $(\pm 1, 0)$, $(\pm 1, \pm 1)$, and $(0, \pm 1)$.

□

Corollary 2.6. ϵ is a unit if and only if $N(\epsilon) = 1$.

For the remainder of this paper, elements of \mathbb{Z} will be referred to by the name of rational integers or rational numbers and by English letters. Eisenstein integers, on the other hand, will be referred to by the name of integers or numbers and by Greek letters.

Definition 2.7 (Prime). A nonunit $\eta \in R$ is prime if, whenever $\eta | \alpha\beta$ for $\alpha, \beta \in R$, $\eta | \alpha$ or $\eta | \beta$.

For an illustration of the primes of smallest norm in the Eisenstein integers, see figure 2. The following proposition due to David Cox [1] characterizes the rational primes p that are also prime in the Eisenstein integers.

Remark 2.8. Remark the symmetry in figure 2. This is because if π is prime, $\bar{\pi}$ and $\epsilon\pi$ are prime for each unit ϵ .

Proposition 2.9. Let p be a prime in \mathbb{Z} . Then:

- (1) If $p = 3$, then $1 - \omega$ is prime in $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ and $3 = -\omega^2(1 - \omega)^2$.
- (2) If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$, then there is a prime $\pi \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ such that $\pi\bar{\pi}$, and the primes π and $\bar{\pi}$ are nonassociates in \mathbb{Z} .
- (3) If $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$, then p remains prime in $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$.

Proposition 2.10. If $N(\eta)$ is a rational prime, then η is prime.

Proof. Suppose that η is not prime. Write $\eta = \alpha\beta$ for some nonunits α and β . $N(\eta) = N(\alpha\beta) = N(\alpha)N(\beta)$. Since α, β are nonunits, $N(\alpha), N(\beta) \geq 2$ and thus $N(\eta)$ is rational composite. □

Definition 2.11 (Associate). For nonzero $\eta \in R$, $\epsilon\eta$ is an associate of η for each unit ϵ .

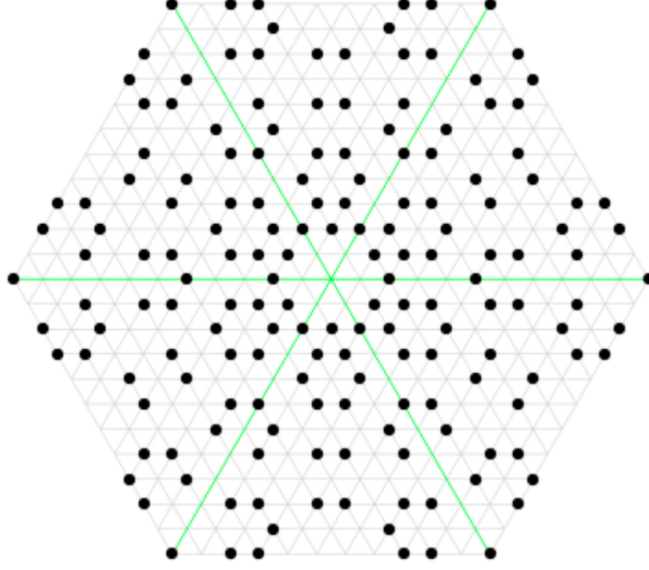


FIGURE 2. The rays connected at the origin delimit each sextant and the black points represent Eisenstein primes.

Remark 2.12. Every nonzero η has exactly one associate in each sextant of $\mathbb{Z}[\omega]$.

For primes $\pi \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$, we denote π^* as the first-sextant associate of π . In general, for $\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$, we define η^* as follows.

Definition 2.13. Write $\eta = \prod_{i=1}^s \pi_i^{e_i}$ for primes π . Then, $\eta^* = \prod_{i=1}^s (\pi_i^*)^{e_i}$.

Consider, for instance, $\eta = (1 - \omega)^2(\omega + 3)^7$. Then, $\eta^* = (\omega + 2)^2(\omega + 3)^7$.

Definition 2.14 (Complex sum-of-divisors function). The sum-of-divisors function $\sigma : \mathbb{Z}[\omega] \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$ is defined by the equation

$$(2.2) \quad \sigma(\eta) = \sum_{\delta^* | \eta} \delta^*$$

One of the most important properties of σ is that it is multiplicative.

Remark 2.15. If $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $\sigma(n)$ is the rational integers sum-of-divisors.

Proposition 2.16. *The sum-of-divisors function is multiplicative.*

Proof. Let $(\eta_1, \eta_2) = 1$. We can uniquely write $\delta^* = \delta_1^* \delta_2^*$ where $\delta_1^* | \eta_1$ and $\delta_2^* | \eta_2$. Thus,

$$(2.3) \quad \sigma(\eta_1 \eta_2) = \sum_{\delta^* | \eta_1 \eta_2} \delta^* = \sum_{\delta_1^* | \eta_1, \delta_2^* | \eta_2} \delta_1^* \delta_2^* = \left(\sum_{\delta_1^* | \eta_1} \delta_1^* \right) \left(\sum_{\delta_2^* | \eta_2} \delta_2^* \right) = \sigma(\eta_1) \sigma(\eta_2)$$

□

Definition 2.17 (τ -Mersenne numbers). For τ prime, the number

$$(2.4) \quad M_k = \sigma(\tau^{k-1}) = \frac{\tau^k - 1}{\tau - 1}$$

is a τ -Mersenne number. In particular, if M_k is prime, it is called a τ -Mersenne prime. For notational simplicity, we denote $A_k = N(M_k)$.

Remark 2.18. In particular, notice that if $\tau = 2$, then $M_p = 2^p - 1$ as in the integer case.

Definition 2.19. Let $\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$. η is τ -perfect if $\sigma(\eta) = \tau\eta$. η is τ -norm-perfect if $N(\sigma(\eta)) = N(\tau\eta)$.

Remark 2.20. Every τ -perfect number is norm-perfect.

The following are some examples of τ -norm-perfect and τ -perfect Eisenstein integers for $\tau = \omega + 3$. The number $\tau^{p-1}M_p$ is τ -perfect for p equals to 193, 709, 2029, 9049, 10453, or 255361. Clearly, for each unit ϵ , we also have that $\epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$ is τ -norm-perfect. Similarly, the number $\epsilon\tau^{p-1}\bar{M}_p$ is τ -norm-perfect for p equals to 11, 239, 659, 1103, and 534827.

3. $(\omega + 2)$ -PERFECT AND $(\omega + 2)$ -NORM-PERFECT EISENSTEIN INTEGERS

In this section, we fix $\tau = \omega + 2$.

Making use of the periodicity of cosine and sine, the table 1 is computed.

TABLE 1. M_k and A_k

$k \pmod{12}$	M_k	A_k
0	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + 3^{\frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} - 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}})$	$1 - 2 \cdot 3^{k/2} + 3^k$
1	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} - 3^{\frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^k - 3^{\frac{1+k}{2}}$
2	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$1 - 3^{k/2} + 3^k$
3	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} + 3^{\frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^k$
4	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 + 3^{\frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} + 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^{k/2} + 3^k$
5	$-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} + 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^k + 3^{\frac{1+k}{2}}$
6	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - 3^{\frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} + 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 2 \cdot 3^{k/2} + 3^k$
7	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} + 3^{\frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^k + 3^{\frac{1+k}{2}}$
8	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{i\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$1 + 3^{k/2} + 3^k$
9	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} - 3^{\frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^k$
10	$\frac{1}{2}(-1 - 3^{\frac{k}{2}}) + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} - 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{k}{2}})$	$1 - 3^{k/2} + 3^k$
11	$-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i(\sqrt{3} - 2 \cdot 3^{\frac{k}{2}})$	$1 + 3^k - 3^{\frac{1+k}{2}}$

Lemma 3.1 (Analogue of Euclid's Lemma). *Let M_p be a Mersenne prime and ϵ a unit. If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, then $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$ is a τ -norm-perfect number. If $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, then $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}\bar{M}_p$ is a τ -norm-perfect number.*

Proof. For $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, M_p is a sixth-sextant prime. Thus, $M_p^* = M_p(1 + \omega) = \tau^p - 1$. If $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$, it follows that

$$(3.1) \quad N(\sigma(\eta)) = N(\sigma(\epsilon)\sigma(\tau^{p-1})\sigma(M_p)) = N(M_p(1 + M_p^*)) = N(\tau^p M_p) = N(\tau\eta)$$

For $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, \overline{M}_p is a second-sextant prime. Thus, $\overline{M}_p^* = -\overline{M}_p\omega = \overline{\tau^p} - 1$. If $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}\overline{M}_p$, it follows that

$$(3.2) \quad N(\sigma(\eta)) = N(\sigma(\epsilon)\sigma(\tau^{p-1})\sigma(\overline{M}_p)) = N(M_p(1 + \overline{M}_p^*)) = N(\overline{\tau^p} M_p) = N(\tau\eta)$$

In both cases, η is τ -norm-perfect. □

Throughout the following arguments, we will make constant use of the following inequality due to McDaniel [2] and improved upon by Smallbone [3].

Lemma 3.2. *Let $z = x + iy$ and let $k \in \mathbb{N}$.*

If $x \geq \frac{5}{4}$, then

$$(3.3) \quad N(1 + z + \dots + z^k) > N(z^{k-1})(N(z) + 2x - 1)$$

Moreover, if $|y| \leq x - 1$, then

$$(3.4) \quad N(1 + \dots + z^k) \geq N(z^{k-1})(N(z) + 2x + 1)$$

with equality if and only if $k = 1$.

Proof. If $k = 1$,

$$(3.5) \quad N(1 + z) = N(z) + 2x + 1$$

If $k = 2$,

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} N(1 + z + z^2) &= N(z)N(z^{-1} + 1 + z) \\ &= N(z) \left(N(z) + 2x + 1 + \frac{2x + 1 + 2(x^2 - y^2)}{N(z)} \right) \\ &> \begin{cases} N(z)(N(z) + 2x - 1) & \text{for all } y \\ N(z)(N(z) + 2x + 1) & \text{for all } y \text{ such that } |y| \leq x \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Let $z = x + iy = re^{i\theta}$. If $k \geq 3$,

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} N(1 + z + \dots + z^k) &= N\left(\frac{z^{k+1} - 1}{z - 1}\right) = \frac{(z^{k+1} - 1)(\overline{z}^{k+1} - 1)}{(z - 1)(\overline{z} - 1)} \\ &= \frac{N(z^{k+1}) + 1 - (z^{k+1} + \overline{z}^{k+1})}{r^2 - x + 1} \\ &= \frac{N(z^{k-1})(r^4 + r^{-2(k+1)} - 2r^{3-k} \cos(k+1)\theta)}{r^2 - 2x + 1} \\ &> \frac{N(z^{k-1})(r^4 - 2)}{r^2 - 2x + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Since $x \geq \frac{5}{4}$,

$$(3.8) \quad (r^2 + 2x - 1)(r^2 - 2x + 1) = r^4 - (2x - 1)^2 < r^4 - 2$$

Hence, $N(1 + \dots + z^k) > N(z^{k-1})(N(z) + 2x - 1)$. If also $|y| \leq x - 1$, then

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} (r^2 + 2x + 1)(r^2 - 2x + 1) &= (r^2 + 1)^2 - 4x^2 = r^4 - 2(x^2 - y^2) + 1 \\ &\leq r^4 - (4x - 3) \leq r^4 - 2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $N(1 + z + \dots + z^k) > N(z^{k-1})(N(z) + 2x + 1)$. \square

Many times, we will also make use of the following corollaries to lemma 3.2.

Corollary 3.3. *Let π be prime, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and write $\pi^* = x + iy$. Then,*

$$(3.10) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\pi^k))}{N(\pi^k)} > \frac{N(\pi) + 2x - 1}{N(\pi)}$$

Moreover, if $y \leq x - 1$, then

$$(3.11) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\pi^k))}{N(\pi^k)} \geq \frac{N(\pi) + 2x + 1}{N(\pi)}$$

with equality if and only if $k = 1$

Corollary 3.4. *For any $\eta \in \mathbb{Z}[\omega]$,*

$$(3.12) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\eta)} \geq 1$$

with equality if and only if η is a unit.

With these inequalities in our toolbox, we proceed lemma by lemma to prove an analogue of Euler's Lemma.

Lemma 3.5. *For $k \equiv 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 \pmod{12}$ and μ not divisibly by τ , $\eta = \tau^{k-1}\mu$ is not τ -norm-perfect.*

Proof. Consulting table 1, it follows that, for $k \equiv 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 \pmod{12}$, $A_k > 3^k = N(\tau^k)$. Thus, by inequality (3.12), it follows that

$$(3.13) \quad N(\sigma(\eta)) = A_k N(\sigma(\mu)) > N(\tau^k) N(\mu) = N(\tau\eta)$$

Hence, η is not τ -norm-perfect. \square

We summarize the results of lemma 3.5 in the following corollary.

Corollary 3.6. *If $\eta = \tau^{k-1}\mu$ is τ -norm-perfect, then $k \equiv 0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \pmod{12}$.*

Lemma 3.7. *Let $k \geq 2$ and μ not divisible by τ . If $\eta = \tau^{k-1}\mu$ is τ -norm-perfect, then M_k or $\overline{M_k}$ divide η and are both prime.*

Proof. Let π be a first-sextant prime divisor of M_k . Suppose that η is τ -norm-perfect. Then, it follows that

$$(3.14) \quad 3n\bar{\eta} = N(\tau\eta) = N(\sigma(\eta)) = N(M_k\sigma(\mu)) = \pi\bar{\pi}N\left(\frac{M_k}{\pi}\sigma(\mu)\right)$$

Thus, it follows that $\pi|3n\bar{\eta}$. Since $3 = (1+w)(1-w)^2$, since $1+w$ is a unit, since $1-w$ is an associate of τ and since $(M_k, \tau) = 1$, it follows that $\pi \nmid 3$. Thus, $\pi|n\bar{\eta}$. Since π is prime, then it follows that $\pi|\eta$ or $\pi|\bar{\eta}$. Equivalently, $\pi|\eta$ or $\bar{\pi}|\eta$. In particular, since $(M_k, \tau) = 1$, it follows that $\pi|\mu$ or $\bar{\pi}|\mu$.

For any prime π such that $\pi|\mu$, let a be the largest rational integer such that $\pi^a|\mu$. Using corollaries to lemma 3.2, it follows that

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} 1 &= \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\tau\eta)} = \frac{N(\sigma(\tau^{k-1})\sigma(\pi^a))}{N(\tau^k\pi^a)} \frac{N(\sigma(\mu/\pi^a))}{N(\mu/\pi^a)} \geq \frac{N(\sigma(\tau^{k-1})\sigma(\pi^a))}{N(\tau^k\pi^a)} \\ &> \frac{A_k(N(\pi) + 2x - 1)}{N(\tau^k)N(\pi)} \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging gives us

$$(3.16) \quad N(\pi) > \frac{A_k(2x - 1)}{N(\tau^k) - A_k}$$

Since π^* and $\bar{\pi}^*$ are first-sextant primes different from τ , $\text{Re } \pi^*, \text{Re } \bar{\pi}^* \geq 2$. So

$$(3.17) \quad N(\pi) > \frac{3A_k}{N(\tau^k) - A_k}$$

By corollary 3.6, it follows that

$$(3.18) \quad \frac{3A_k^{\frac{1}{2}}}{N(\tau^k) - A_k} \geq \frac{3(3^{\frac{k}{2}} - 1)}{2 \cdot 3^{\frac{k}{2}} - 1} > 1$$

Thus,

$$(3.19) \quad N(\pi) > \frac{3A_k}{N(\tau^k) - A_k} > A_k^{\frac{1}{2}} = N(M_k)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

That is,

$$(3.20) \quad N(\pi)^2 > N(M_k)$$

Assume that M_k is not prime. Write $M_k = \epsilon\pi_0\pi_1\dots\pi_r$ for $r \in \mathbb{N}$, where π_i is a prime, and ϵ is a unit. Let π_0 be a prime with the least norm among the norm of the primes π_i . Then, it follows that

$$(3.21) \quad N(\pi_0) > N(\pi_1)\dots N(\pi_r)$$

which is a contradiction. Thus, it follows that $M_k = \epsilon\pi$ for some prime π and unit ϵ .

Suppose that $\overline{M_k}$ is not prime. Write $\overline{M_k} = \alpha\beta$. Then, $M_k = \overline{\alpha}\overline{\beta}$, making M_k not prime. Therefore, by the above argument, M_k and $\overline{M_k}$ are both prime.

□

Lemma 3.8. *If M_k is prime, then k is rational prime.*

Proof. Suppose that k is composite. Write $k = nm$ for $n, m \geq 2$. Then,

$$(3.22) \quad M_k = \frac{\tau^k - 1}{\tau - 1} = \frac{\tau^{nm} - 1}{\tau - 1} = \left(\frac{\tau^n - 1}{\tau - 1} \right) \left(\frac{\tau^{nm} - 1}{\tau^n - 1} \right)$$

If $\frac{\tau^{nm} - 1}{\tau^n - 1} = \epsilon$ for some unit ϵ , then by rearranging and taking norms, it follows that

$$(3.23) \quad 3^n N(1 - \epsilon \tau^{mn-n}) = N(1 - \epsilon)$$

but $3^n N(1 - \epsilon \tau^{mn-n}) \geq 9$ and $N(1 - \epsilon) \leq 4$. By the same argument, $\frac{\tau^n - 1}{\tau - 1}$ is not a unit.

□

Lemma 3.9. *Let $t \in \mathbb{N}$, δ not divisibly τ , and $k \geq 2$. If $\eta = \tau^{k-1} \mu$ is a τ -norm-perfect number, then, for some unit ϵ , either $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} M_p^t \delta$ where M_p is a Mersenne prime with $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, or $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} \overline{M_p}^t \delta$ where M_p is a Mersenne prime with $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$*

Proof. By lemma 3.7, $\eta = \tau^{k-1} M_k^t \delta$ or $\eta = \tau^{k-1} \overline{M_k}^t \delta$ for some δ not divisible by τ . By choosing t sufficiently large, we get that $(M_k, \delta) = 1$ or $(\overline{M_k}, \delta) = 1$, respectively. By proposition 3.8, k must be a rational prime. Hence, we write p . By corollary 3.6, $p = 2$ or $p \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{12}$.

We are left to show that for $p = 2$ and M_p prime, $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} M_p^t \delta$ and $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} \overline{M_p}^t \delta$ are not τ -norm-perfect; that, for $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$ and M_p prime, $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} M_p^t \delta$ is not τ -norm-perfect; and that, for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$ and M_p prime, $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} \overline{M_p}^t \delta$ is not τ -norm-perfect.

Consider $\eta = \tau M_2^t \delta$. $M_2 = \sigma(\tau) = 1 + \tau = 3 + \omega$. $M_2^* = M_2$. So, by lemma 3.2 and its corollary, it follows that

$$(3.24) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\tau\eta)} &= \frac{N(\sigma(\tau))}{N(\tau)^2} \frac{N(\sigma(M_2^t))}{N(M_2^t)} \frac{N(\sigma(\delta))}{N(\delta)} \geq \frac{N(\sigma(\tau))}{N(\tau)^2} \frac{N(\sigma(M_2^t))}{N(M_2^t)} \\ &> \frac{N(1+\tau)}{N(\tau)^2} \frac{A_2 + 2 \operatorname{Re} M_2^* - 1}{A_2} = \frac{11}{9} > 1 \end{aligned}$$

Consider $\eta = \tau \overline{M_2}^t \delta$. $\overline{M_2} = \overline{\sigma(\tau)} = \overline{1 + \tau} = \overline{3 + \omega} = 2 - \omega$. $\overline{M_2}^* = \overline{M_2}(\omega + 1) = 3 + 2\omega$. As before, it follows that

$$(3.25) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\tau\eta)} > \frac{N(1+\tau)}{N(\tau)^2} \frac{A_2 + 2 \operatorname{Re} \overline{M_2}^* - 1}{A_2} = \frac{10}{9} > 1$$

Consider $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} M_p^t \delta$ for $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$. Since M_p is a fifth-sextant prime, $M_p^* = \omega M_p$. Since $\operatorname{Im} M_p^* \leq \operatorname{Re} M_p^* - 1$, it follows that

$$(3.26) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\tau\eta)} \geq \frac{A_p + 2 \operatorname{Re} M_p^* + 1}{N(\tau^p)} = 3^p - 1 > 1$$

Consider $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} \overline{M_p}^t \delta$ for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$. Since M_p is a sixth-sextant prime, $\overline{M_p}^* = \overline{M_p}$. Since $\text{Im } \overline{M_p}^* \leq \text{Re } \overline{M_p}^* - 1$, it follows that

$$(3.27) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\tau\eta)} \geq \frac{A_p + 2 \text{Re } \overline{M_p}^* + 1}{N(\tau^p)} = 3^p - 1 > 1$$

□

We now present the analogue of Euler's lemma.

Lemma 3.10 (Analogue of Euler's Lemma). *Let $k \geq 2$. If $\eta = \tau^{k-1}\eta$ is a τ -norm-perfect number, then, for some unit ϵ , either $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} M_p$ where M_p is a Mersenne prime with $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, or $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} \overline{M_p}$ where M_p is a Mersenne prime with $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$.*

Proof. Let M_p prime and $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$. Since $|\text{Im } M_p^*| \leq \text{Re } M_p^* - 1$, by corollary 3.3,

$$(3.28) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(M_p^t))}{N(M_p^t)} \geq \frac{N(\sigma(M_p))}{N(M_p)}$$

with equality if and only if $t = 1$.

By the same argument we also have that

$$(3.29) \quad \frac{N(\sigma(\overline{M_p}^t))}{N(\overline{M_p}^t)} \geq \frac{N(\sigma(\overline{M_p}))}{N(\overline{M_p})}$$

with equality if and only if $t = 1$.

Suppose that η is τ -norm-perfect number, then, by lemma 3.9, $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} M_p^t \delta$ or $\eta = \epsilon \tau^{p-1} \overline{M_p}^t \delta$.

Assume that η is of the former form. Then, by the Analogue of Euclid's Lemma, by corollary 3.3, by inequality 3.28, and since η is τ -norm-perfect, it follows that

$$(3.30) \quad \begin{aligned} 1 &= \frac{N(\sigma(\eta))}{N(\tau\eta)} = \frac{N(\sigma(\tau^{p-1}))}{N(\tau^p)} \frac{N(\sigma(M_p^t))}{N(M_p^t)} \frac{N(\sigma(\delta))}{N(\delta)} \\ &\geq \frac{N(\sigma(\tau^{p-1}))}{N(\tau^p)} \frac{N(\sigma(M_p))}{N(M_p)} \frac{N(\sigma(\delta))}{N(\delta)} \\ &= \frac{N(\sigma(\tau^{p-1} M_p))}{N(\tau^p M_p)} \frac{N(\sigma(\delta))}{N(\delta)} = \frac{N(\sigma(\delta))}{N(\delta)} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\frac{N(\sigma(\delta))}{N(\delta)} = 1$; that is, δ is a unit. Further, if δ is a unit, it follows that $\frac{N(\sigma(M_p^t))}{N(M_p^t)} = \frac{N(\sigma(M_p))}{N(M_p)}$; that is, that $t = 1$. By the same argument, it follows that δ is a unit and $t = 1$ in the latter form of η .

□

We consolidate the analogues of Euclid's and Euler's lemmas into what we have called the Euclid-Euler Theorem for τ -norm-perfect Eisenstein Integers.

Theorem 3.11 (Euclid-Euler Theorem for τ -Norm-Perfect Eisenstein Integers). *Let M_p be a Mersenne prime and ϵ a unit. If $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$ is a τ -norm-perfect number; if $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}\overline{M_p}$ is a τ -norm-perfect number. Conversely, if η is a τ -norm-perfect number divisible by τ , then, for some unit ϵ , either $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$, where M_p is a Mersenne prime with $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, or $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}\overline{M_p}$, where M_p is a Mersenne prime with $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$.*

Corollary 3.12. *There are no imprimitive τ -Norm-Perfect numbers divisible by τ in the Eisenstein integers.*

We now derive what we have called the Euclid-Euler Theorem for τ -Perfect Eisenstein Integers.

Corollary 3.13 (Euclid-Euler Theorem for τ -Perfect Eisenstein Integers). *Let M_p be a Mersenne prime. Then, η is an τ -perfect number divisible by τ if and only if $\eta = \tau^{p-1}M_p$ for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$.*

Proof. Consider $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$ for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$. Since M_p is a sixth-sextant prime, $M_p^* = M_p(1 + \omega) = \tau^p - 1$. Thus, it follows that

$$(3.31) \quad \sigma(\eta) = \sigma(\tau^{p-1}M_p) = \sigma(\tau^{p-1})\sigma(M_p) = M_p(1 + M_p^*) = \tau^p M_p = \tau\eta$$

By theorem 3.11, if η is an τ -perfect number divisible by τ , then $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$ for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, M_p prime, and some unit ϵ ; or $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}\overline{M_p}$ for $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, M_p prime, and some unit ϵ .

Consider the latter. Since, for $p \equiv -1 \pmod{12}$, M_p is a fifth-sextant prime, $\overline{M_p}^* = -\omega\overline{M_p} = \overline{\tau^p} - 1$. Thus, it follows that

$$(3.32) \quad \sigma(\eta) = M_p(1 + M_p^*) = \overline{\tau^p}M_p$$

Since $\tau^p \neq \overline{\tau^p}$, η is not τ -perfect. Therefore, if η is τ -perfect, then $\eta = \epsilon\tau^{p-1}M_p$ for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$, M_p prime, and some unit ϵ . It is easy to check that η is only τ -perfect for $\epsilon = 1$. □

4. NONEXISTENCE OF 2-NORM-PERFECT EISENSTEIN INTEGERS

Lemma 4.1. *Let $k \geq 2$. If $\eta = 2^{k-1}\mu$ is 2-norm-perfect, then $\sigma(2^{k-1})$ is prime.*

Proof. Let π be a first-sextant prime factor of $\sigma(2^{k-1})$ with $\text{Re } \pi \geq 2$. Let a be the largest rational integer such that $\pi^a | \sigma(2^{k-1})$.

$$(4.1) \quad 2^2\eta\overline{\eta} = N(2\eta) = N(\sigma(2^{k-1})\sigma(\mu)) = \pi\overline{\pi}N\left(\frac{\sigma(2^{k-1})}{\pi}\sigma(\mu)\right)$$

Thus it follows that $\pi | 2^2\eta\overline{\eta}$. Since $(\pi, 2) = 1$, it follows that $\pi | \eta\overline{\eta}$. Since π is prime, $\pi | \eta$ or $\pi | \overline{\eta}$. As shown in the proof of lemma 3.7,

$$(4.2) \quad N(\pi) > \frac{3(2^k - 1)^2}{2^{2k} - (2^k - 1)^2} = \frac{3(2^k - 1)^2}{2^{k+1} - 1}$$

Since

$$(4.3) \quad \frac{3(2^k - 1)}{2^{k+1} - 1} > 1$$

it follows that

$$(4.4) \quad N(\pi) > \sigma(p^{k-1})$$

If $\sigma(p^{k-1})$ is composite and write $\sigma(p^{k-1}) = \pi_0 \pi_1 \dots \pi_r$ where π_0 is a prime with the least norm among the norm of all prime factors of $\sigma(p^{k-1})$, then

$$(4.5) \quad N(\pi_0) > N(\pi_1) \dots N(\pi_r)$$

This is a contradiction. Thus, $\sigma(p^{k-1})$ is prime. □

Theorem 4.2. *There are no 2-norm-perfect Eisenstein integers divisible by 2.*

Proof. By proposition 2.9, $\sigma(2^{k-1})$ is not prime since $\sigma(2^{k-1}) = 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^{k-1} = 2^k - 1 \not\equiv 2 \pmod{3}$. □

5. DISCUSSION

In regard to future work, we are interested in studying τ -norm-perfect and τ -perfect numbers for other values of τ , and in studying τ -norm-perfect and τ -perfect numbers that are not divisible by τ for $\tau = 2$ and $\tau = \omega + 2$. Thus far, in the Gaussian and in the Eisenstein integers, there are only characterizations for τ -norm-perfect and τ -perfect numbers that are also divisible by τ .

In the Eisenstein integers, two potentially promising start points are to attempt to characterize or prove nonexistence of τ -norm-perfect integers for $\tau = \omega + 3$ or $2\omega + 3$ as these are the first-sextant primes that follow $\omega + 2$ and 2 in norm. Alternatively, rational primes $p \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ may be studied. We also would like to remark that many of our computations become infeasible after certain modification. In particular, computing $\sigma(\eta^k)$ for nonprime η and general $k \in \mathbb{N}$ usually turns to be a cumbersome task.

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